



**MINUTES OF THE  
MARYLAND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION  
July 13, 2016**

**I. Call to order**

The meeting of the Maryland Transportation Commission was held on Wednesday, July 13, at 10:30 a.m., in the in the Board Room of the Maryland Department of Transportation.

**II. Roll Call**

The following members were present:

James A. Calderwood, Chair  
Camillo Di Camillo, Member  
Debra Farrar-Dyke, Member  
Jennifer Hill-Leineweber, Member (by phone)  
Elmer E. Horsey, Member  
David Lashar, Member  
George Littrell, Member  
Michael Moore, Member  
Rajan Natarajan, Member  
Frederick C. Payne, Member  
Carol Petzold, Member  
Catherine Riley, Member  
Gary Simpson, Member  
Makeda Scott, Member  
Gregory Snook, Member  
Mario VillaSanta, Member  
William H. Cox, MDTA Board Member  
Brad Smith, MDOT Director of Freight and Multimodalism  
MDOT Staff Corey Stottlemeyer  
MDOT Staff Tina Quinichette

Chairman James A. Calderwood called the meeting to order at 10:32 AM. The Chairman recognized and thanked Mr. VillaSanta for the donuts and coffee he provided. He informed members that his wife recently opened a bakery. Mr. Cox announced his recent appointment to the MDTA Board of Directors. He thanked the members for the opportunity to serve with them and thanked Ms. Riley for originally recommending him for the appointment. He said he had served for 15 years on the MTC under four different administrations.

**III. Briefing on the Howard Street Tunnel**

Mr. Stottlemeyer introduced Brad Smith, Director of Freight and Multimodalism presented on the current Howard Street Tunnel Project. Mr. Smith explained the feasibility study and the joint funding with CSX to create a tunnel large enough for double-stack transport. Members asked questions regarding the timing of the project and estimated return on the investment. The presentation has been emailed to all commission members and is also available on the MDOT website.

#### **IV. Dedication Process**

Chairman Calderwood shared a letter he had received from Ms. Riley regarding the dedication process. Ms. Riley was concerned that the current MDOT policy is not consistent with the State Code. Chairman Calderwood informed the MTC that he had forwarded the letter to the Office of the Attorney General for guidance.

#### **V. Dedication Considerations**

In light of the previous agenda item, Mr. VillaSanta made a motion to table requests until the August meeting when we would receive guidance from the Office of the Attorney General. The motion was seconded and approved.

#### **V. Adjournment**

The Commission adjourned at 11:32AM until the next meeting on August 3, 2016 at MDOT HQ.